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## Pollards' New Lawyer Urges Clients' Exile to Israel

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Convicted spy Jonathan Jay Pollard and his wife Anne Henderson-Pollard should be stripped of their American citizenship, barred forever from the United States and deported to Israel, a new member of the Pollards' defense team said yesterday.

New York lawyer Leon Charney, who the Washington Jewish Week in a recent report linked to some high-ranking Israeli officials, said he joined the case at the request of the couple's families and that a "political-solution" is the only proper one to the Pollard case.

Exile from the United States would be a "tough punishment," according to Charney, even though the Pollards unsuccessfully sought political asylum at the Israeli embassy here shortly before their arrest in November 1985.

"I am convinced they did it for ideological reasons," Charney said, brushing aside prosecutors' claims that the Pollards were motivated by greed.

U.S. Attorney Joseph E. di-Genova said he had no comment on Charney's apparent entry into the case. Richard Hibey, Pollard's attorney, could not be reached last night and James F. Hibey, Henderson-Pollard's attorney, said he had no comment on the new development.

Sources said it was highly unlikely that the U.S. government would

consider handing the Pollards over to the Israelis. Several lawyers said no court has the authority to exile a U.S. citizen or strip a person of citizenship. A court could take notice if a person renounces citizenship, they said. The Pollards have not done that.

In a sentencing memorandum on Pollard filed Tuesday, prosecutors said Chief U.S. District Judge Aubrey E. Robinson Jr. should not consider whether Pollard spied for a friendly or unfriendly country, only that he broke the law. Robinson is scheduled to sentence both Pollards on Feb. 10.

Pollard, 31, faces a possible life sentence for his espionage conviction and Henderson-Pollard, 26, could be sentenced to a maximum of 10 years for her convictions of possession of stolen government documents and being an accessory after the fact to possession of na-

tional security documents.

Pollard was arrested Nov. 18, 1985, after the couple unsuccessfully sought political asylum at the Israeli embassy here. Henderson-Pollard was arrested the next day.

Israeli officials have maintained that the spy ring, operated by Rafael Eitan, a former terrorism adviser to two Israeli prime ministers, was a "renegade operation" that was never officially sanctioned and has been disbanded. Eitan was made president of a large state-run chemical company after he was removed from his government position.